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1. I am the *sole* inventor of the invention disclosed and claimed in the above-identified application.
2. I am also the *sole* inventor of the invention disclosed in Serial No. 10/694,773 which was published as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0093557.
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